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**JGFDS-PR-159 SUPERVISOR TO ASSIST AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS
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SUPERVISOR OFFERS FUNDS TO ASSIST LOCAL AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

SAN BERNARDINO – After school programs operating in the County's Fifth District can now apply for funds to purchase essential supplies and educational materials for their classes and activities.

San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors today approved Supervisor Josie Gonzales' allocation of \$10,000 for mini-grants to after school programs operating within in the Fifth District.

The "After School Program Mini-Grant Awards" will offer mini-grants up to \$2,500. There is no deadline to apply. However, the mini-grants will be distributed to qualifying programs on a first-come, first-served basis.

"Our children need after school programs that are equipped with the fundamental tools and education materials that will help these young people aspire to achieve more academically," said San Bernardino County Fifth District Supervisor Josie Gonzales.

"Without the basics, pencils, paper and books, these programs cannot provide the supplemental learning activities, such as tutoring, mentoring and homework assistance, that can help the students they serve excel," she added.

Programs, at minimum, must provide proof of incorporation to qualify for funding. Those interested in applying should call (909) 387-4565. Applications also are available on Supervisor Gonzales' website at **www.sbcounty.gov/gonzales**.

The Fifth District includes the unincorporated areas of Bloomington, Muscoy and Arrowhead Farms, the city of Rialto, major portions of the cities of Colton and San Bernardino, and a segment of the city of Fontana.

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